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1. Pig Iron. The economic plan figures for pig iron for the month of May 1954 were only 82.3% fulfilled. This was 22,420 tons short of plan. This brings underfulfillment since the beginning of the quarter to 24,018 metric tons and since the beginning of 1954 to 61,525 metric tons.
 - a) Eisenhüttenkombinat Josef Stalin: Fulfillment 74.4%; underfulfillment 20,209 metric tons; The Plan (Operativsoll) was for 68,000 metric tons. During May 1954, production was 9.2% below that of April.
 - b) Eisenwerke West, Calbe: The plan, for 18,300 metric tons, was exceeded by 258 metric tons. The underfulfillment since the beginning of 1954 has thus been reduced to 2,537 metric tons. In May 1954, 1.8% more was produced than in the month of April.
 - c) Maxhütte, Unterwellenborn: The plan was fulfilled by 88.8%. Thus the underfulfillment since the beginning of 1954 amounts to 659 metric tons. The steel pig plan was only 11% fulfilled.
2. Raw Steel Ingots. During May 1954, 16.7% (29,297 metric tons) more ingot steel (Blockstahl) was produced than in April. The plan was fulfilled by 101.7%. Thus the underfulfillment since the beginning of 1954 has been reduced to 34,212 metric tons.
 - a) Thomas steel: The plan for Thomas steel was fulfilled by 92.8% - a production of 20,140 metric tons. Thus, underfulfillment has increased to 5,036 metric tons since the beginning of 1954.
 - b) SM steel: The plan was fulfilled by 103.6%. Production was 21.2% more than in April, and underfulfillment since the beginning of 1954 was reduced to 23,816 metric tons. All plants fulfilled the plan with the exception of the Hennigsdorf Steel Works. Hennigsdorf fulfilled the plan

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for May by 84.3% (an underfulfillment of 3,792 metric tons) and the yearly plan by 89.5% (an underfulfillment of 11,122 metric tons).

- c) Electrical Steel: Underfulfillment was caused by power cutoffs during the peak hours and by reductions of the allocation of current during the month. Maxhütte, Döhlen, Karl-Marx-Stadt and Silbitz all fulfilled the plan.

3. Rolling Steel. (Walzstahl), including wrought iron semifinished products.

- a) Wrought Iron Semifinished Products: On hand from the month of April at Maxhütte, 170 metric tons; at Hennigsdorf, 1,235 metric tons.
- b) Rolled Profile Iron: Fulfillment at Maxhütte, 94%; underfulfillment, 920 metric tons. Fulfillment at Brandenburg, 19%; underfulfillment, 5,592 metric tons. Fulfillment at Brandenburg since the beginning of 1954, 15.6%; underfulfillment, 26,153 metric tons. Underfulfillment at Riesa, 280 metric tons. The plan was underfulfilled in May at Kirchmöser, but 1,050 metric tons were on hand from April.
- c) Rolled Plates: The plan was overfulfilled by 101.5%. In May, 13.7% more was rolled than in April. Michael Niederkirchner, Ilseburg and Burg all underfulfilled the plan.
- d) Strip (Bandagen): The plan was fulfilled by 100.4%, and the underfulfillment since the beginning of 1954 was reduced to 276 metric tons.
- e) Seamless Pipe: Underfulfillment in the month of May, 1,860 metric tons; underfulfillment since the beginning of 1954, 3,327 metric tons.

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